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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
ARIZONA WATER COMPANY, AN ARIZONA
CORPORATION, FOR ADJUSTMENTS TO ITS
RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE
FURNISHED BY ITS NORTHERN GROUP AND
FOR CERTAIN RELATED APPROVALS.

DOCKET NO. W-01445A-00-0962

PROCEDURAL ORDER**BY THE COMMISSION:**

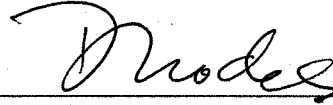
In Decision No. 64282 (December 28, 2001), the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") approved a rate increase for Arizona Water Company's ("Arizona Water" or "Company") Northern Division systems of approximately 16 percent. In that Decision, the Commission also ordered that this docket would remain open for an additional 180 days to allow the parties to develop a proposed procedure for the recovery of costs relating to arsenic treatment and to address the issue of rate consolidation of the Company's systems.

On May 30, 2002, Arizona Water, Staff, and the Residential Utility Consumer Office ("RUCO") filed a Final Joint Report regarding the recovery of costs associated with complying with the maximum contaminant level ("MCL") standards for arsenic. In the Joint Report, the parties state that they have met on various occasions to discuss the development of an appropriate mechanism for cost recovery of arsenic MCL compliance. The parties state that they have made "considerable progress" in developing a cost recovery procedure and request that the Hearing Division schedule a pre-hearing conference to establish filing deadlines and to discuss the status of the proceeding, including the necessity for holding a hearing. The parties also agree that, because this docket is currently scheduled to close on June 27, 2002 (180 days from the date of Decision No. 64282), an Order should be entered to extend the period for completing this phase of the proceeding.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the time period for completing the current phase of this docket shall be extended by an additional 180 days from June 27, 2002, in order to allow completion of the issues deferred by Decision No. 64282.

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a pre-hearing conference shall be conducted in this matter
2 on July 8, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission.

3 DATED this 17th day of June, 2002.

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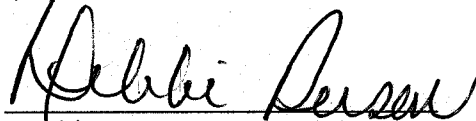
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